IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 6, 8, 9, 14, 16, 18 and 19, to read as follows. .

1. (Currently Amended) A tape provided with a base, comprising:

a tape-like frame member having an electrical wiring, said tape-like frame member including said base provided with elements for generating energy for ejecting a liquid to be used for printing through ejection ports, said base having a ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying electrode for receiving electrical power supplied to said elements from a source outside of said base, a conductive layer for forming said electrical wiring, and a tape member for supporting said conductive layer;

a dummy electrode provided at said base, said dummy electrode not receiving electricity from the source outside of said base;

a ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion formed of a first portion of said conductive layer, said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion not being supported by said tape member, and said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion being conductively bonded to said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying electrode; and

a dummy electrode connecting portion formed of a second portion of said conductive layer, said dummy electrode connecting portion not being supported by said tape member, and said dummy electrode connecting portion being conductively bonded to said dummy electrode to which electricity is not supplied,

wherein said dummy electrode connecting portion forms reinforcement portions for reinforcing a junction between said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion and

said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying electrode by bonding said dummy electrode connecting portion to said dummy electrode so as to hold said tape-like frame member to said base.

2. (Original) A tape provided with a base according to claim 1, wherein said reinforcement portions are arranged to face corners of said base.

3. (Previously Presented) A tape provided with a base according to claim 1, wherein said reinforcement portions are arranged to face almost central parts of opposing ends of said base.

4. (Original) A tape provided with a base according to claim 1, wherein said reinforcement portions are arranged to face opposing ends of said base and installed at a plurality of locations on each of said opposing ends.

5. (Previously Presented) A tape provided with a base according to claim 1, wherein parts of said tape member facing ends of said reinforcement portions, respectively, each have a notched portion.

6. (Currently Amended) A tape provided with a base according to claim 1, wherein, below an opening formed in a part of said tape member that faces ~~said~~ an accommodating portion there are arranged a plurality of said bases to which said reinforcement portions are connected.

7. (Previously Presented) A tape provided with a base according to claim 6, wherein said opening is divided into a plurality of openings, one for each of said bases.

8. (Currently Amended) A tape provided with a base according to claim 1, wherein said base is arranged below an opening formed in a part of said tape member that faces ~~said~~ an accommodating portion.

9. (Currently Amended) A liquid ejection print head for ejecting a liquid through ejection ports to effect printing, said liquid ejection print head comprising:

a supplying passage for supplying a liquid to said ejection ports;

a conductive layer for forming an electrical wiring;

a tape member for supporting said conductive layer;

a tape-like frame member including a base provided with elements for generating energy for ejecting a liquid to be used for printing through said ejection ports, said base having a ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying electrode for receiving electrical power supplied to said elements from a source outside of said base;

a dummy electrode provided at said base, said dummy electrode not receiving electricity from the source outside of said base;

a ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion formed of a first portion of said conductive layer, said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion not being supported by said tape member, and said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion being conductively bonded to said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying electrode; and

a dummy electrode connecting portion formed of a second portion of said conductive layer, said dummy electrode connecting portion not being supported by said tape member, and said dummy electrode connecting portion being conductively bonded to said dummy electrode to which electricity is not supplied when said liquid ejection print head is operated,

wherein said dummy electrode connecting portion forms reinforcement portions for reinforcing a junction between said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion and said ~~power supplying~~ power-supplying electrode by bonding said dummy electrode connecting portion to said dummy electrode so as to hold said tape-like frame member to said base.

10. (Previously Presented) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein said reinforcement portions are arranged to face corners of said base.

11. (Previously Presented) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein said reinforcement portions are arranged to face almost central parts of opposing ends of said base.

12. (Previously Presented) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein said reinforcement portions are arranged to face opposing ends of said base and installed at a plurality of locations on each of said opposing ends.

13. (Previously Presented) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein parts of said tape member facing ends of said reinforcement portions, respectively, each have a notched portion.

14. (Currently Amended) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein, below an opening formed in a part of said tape member that faces ~~said~~ an accommodating portion there are arranged a plurality of said bases to which said reinforcement portions are connected.

15. (Previously Presented) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 14, wherein said opening is divided into a plurality of openings, one for each of said bases.

16. (Currently Amended) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein said base is arranged below an opening formed in a part of said tape member that faces ~~said~~ an accommodating portion.

17. (Previously Presented) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein branch portions and said reinforcement portions are arranged in a direction of an array of said ejection ports in an ejection port-forming surface.

18. (Currently Amended) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein said ~~power-supplying~~ power-supplying connecting portion and said dummy electrode

connecting portion are arranged in a direction crossing a direction of an array of said ejection ports.

19. (Currently Amended) A liquid ejection print head according to claim 9, wherein the liquid is an ink or a processing liquid for rendering ~~the~~ an ink insoluble.